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EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS : AUSTRALIA , OCTOBER 1975

PRELIMINARY

MAIN FEATURES

- This statement has been delayed owing to the rebasing of the employment series on new benchmark figures for June 1971. (See Revision of Series, below).
- The following figures refer only to civilian wage and salary earners excluding those in agriculture and private domestic service.
- During October 1975 employment increased by 2,900 persons, the first monthly increase since June 1975. In seasonally adjusted terms the increase was 1,800 persons.
- Employment in the construction industry fell by 6,200 persons, due mainly to a decline in employment by local government authorities under the Regional Employment Development Scheme. However, this was more than offset by increased employment in manufacturing (4,400 persons) and wholesale and retail trade (5,200 persons).
- In the twelve months ended October 1975 the total number of employees decreased by 30,500 (0.6 per cent). Private employment decreased by 92,900 (2.6 per cent) and government employment increased by 62,400 (5.1 per cent).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Revision of series

Revised estimates for selected months from June 1971 are contained in this statement. They are based on new benchmarks established by analysing data from the 1971 population census and other relevant sources, such as special returns from government bodies and the Bureau's economic censuses and surveys. The estimates replace those previously published in *Employed Wage and Salary Earners : Preliminary* (Reference No. 6.12) and *Employment and Unemployment* (Reference No. 6.4).

2. This statement will be followed shortly by a bulletin entitled *Employed Wage and Salary Earners : June 1971 to June 1975* (Reference No. 6.23), which will give more detail for this period. Copies will be available on request. Detailed revised estimates for the period July to October 1975 will be included in the bulletin *Employment and Unemployment, October 1975* (Reference No. 6.4) to be issued shortly.

Industry classification

3. The estimates shown in Table 3 are based on the Australian Standard Industrial Classification and are not

directly comparable with those published previously, which were based on the classification used for the 1966 population census.

Reference period

4. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month.

Scope of estimates

5. The series in this statement relate only to wage and salary earners, not the total labour force. The statistics therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons, unpaid helpers and the unemployed. Also excluded, because of the inadequacy of current data, are employees in agriculture and private domestic service. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as 'employees'.

Method of estimation

6. The estimates are based on benchmarks derived from the results of the 1971 population census and from other sources (see above). Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates. Current returns are of three main types:

- . payroll tax returns
- . returns from government bodies
- . other current employment returns (e.g. for hospitals).

Recorded employment obtained from these sources is estimated to account for about 90 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered. The balance (that is, unrecorded private employment) is estimated.

Government employment

7. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees but also all other employees of government bodies (Australian, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, postal and telecommunications, air transport, education (including universities), radio, television, police, public works, factories and departmental hospitals and institutions.

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding. The figures shown are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(⁰000)

Month	N.S.W.	VIC.	QLD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia
MALES									
1971 — June	1,096.3	805.7	377.3	263.6	234.2	86.7	23.5	37.5	2,924.7
December	1,101.0	806.9	373.4	264.9	236.5	86.6	23.6	39.1	2,931.9
1972 — June	1,094.4	811.3	388.5	263.4	230.2	87.2	24.7	40.8	2,940.6
December	1,105.0	824.8	385.3	268.0	231.0	88.2	23.8	42.7	2,968.7
1973 — June	†1,104.5	†819.9	398.9	270.5	233.8	87.9	25.1	44.8	†2,985.2
December	1,122.1	841.0	401.8	275.4	240.5	89.8	25.4	46.9	3,042.7
1974 — June	1,123.7	842.9	415.2	278.4	243.0	89.6	26.8	48.5	3,068.2
December	1,103.3	836.1	401.2	277.1	244.7	90.5	(b)26.7	49.8	3,029.4
1975 — June	1,102.5	†832.9	414.4	278.3	247.9	90.7	24.5	52.4	†3,043.7
July	1,097.7	†825.2	412.9	277.7	248.0	90.4	24.8	51.9	†3,028.7
August	1,090.2	823.3	411.7	276.2	247.1	89.9	25.3	51.5	3,015.3
September	1,086.5	824.3	409.9	274.4	246.8	89.7	25.0	51.7	3,008.3
October	1,083.1	823.3	410.0	274.5	246.9	89.6	25.0	51.9	3,004.4
FEMALES									
1971 — June	569.7	439.0	173.8	133.5	110.9	38.9	9.3	22.6	1,497.5
December	572.9	444.0	176.6	136.0	112.1	39.8	9.4	22.8	1,513.5
1972 — June	574.2	445.6	181.3	136.8	115.4	39.6	10.7	23.8	1,527.3
December	589.3	458.2	186.3	140.3	116.5	41.0	10.4	25.1	1,567.1
1973 — June	604.0	470.5	194.2	145.9	123.1	41.3	11.5	27.3	1,617.7
December	632.7	493.8	201.8	152.6	127.0	43.3	11.8	29.4	1,692.4
1974 — June	643.9	502.2	210.0	161.0	132.3	44.1	13.3	31.5	1,738.3
December	621.9	489.5	206.2	154.4	130.1	44.7	(b)13.0	32.0	1,691.6
1975 — June	626.9	487.3	210.3	159.5	133.1	46.6	11.7	35.4	1,710.8
July	626.3	488.6	210.7	160.3	133.7	46.8	11.9	35.7	1,714.0
August	625.5	490.6	209.9	160.1	133.8	46.6	12.4	36.0	1,714.9
September	627.5	492.7	211.5	160.1	134.1	46.5	12.2	35.7	1,720.4
October	629.9	493.6	212.8	161.6	134.7	46.3	12.5	35.8	1,727.3
PERSONS									
1971 — June	1,666.0	1,244.7	551.1	397.0	345.2	125.5	32.7	60.0	4,422.3
December	1,673.9	1,250.9	550.0	400.8	348.6	126.4	33.0	61.9	4,445.5
1972 — June	1,668.6	1,256.9	569.8	400.2	345.5	126.8	35.4	64.6	4,467.9
December	1,694.3	1,283.0	571.6	408.3	347.5	129.2	34.2	67.8	4,535.8
1973 — June	†1,708.5	†1,290.3	593.1	416.3	356.8	129.2	36.6	72.0	†4,602.9
December	1,754.8	1,334.7	603.6	428.0	367.5	133.1	37.1	76.3	4,735.1
1974 — June	1,767.6	1,345.2	625.3	439.4	375.3	133.7	40.1	80.0	4,806.5
December	1,725.1	1,325.6	607.4	431.5	374.7	135.2	(b)39.7	81.8	4,721.0
1975 — June	1,729.4	†1,320.3	624.6	437.8	381.0	137.3	36.2	87.9	†4,754.5
July	1,724.1	†1,313.9	623.6	437.9	381.7	137.3	36.7	87.6	†4,742.7
August	1,715.7	1,313.9	621.6	436.3	380.9	136.6	37.7	87.5	4,730.2
September	1,714.0	1,316.9	621.5	434.6	381.0	136.2	37.2	87.4	4,728.7
October	1,713.1	1,316.9	622.9	436.2	381.6	135.8	37.5	87.7	4,731.6

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) Subsequent months affected by cyclone Tracy.

† Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 2. — TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

Month	Private	Government (a)				Civilian employees	Defence forces (c)	Total civilian employees and defence forces
		Australian	State (b)	Local (b)	Total (b)			
MALES								
1971— June	2,112.9	249.4	470.2	92.2	811.8	2,924.7	80.5	3,005.2
December	2,109.2	257.1	470.9	94.7	822.7	2,931.9	76.6	3,008.5
1972— June	2,102.5	253.2	482.5	102.4	838.1	2,940.6	78.3	3,018.9
December	2,119.6	262.5	483.7	102.9	849.1	2,968.7	76.3	3,045.0
1973— June	†2,127.3	261.8	490.4	105.7	857.9	†2,985.2	71.0	†3,056.2
December	2,184.9	271.3	487.7	98.8	857.8	3,042.7	67.2	3,109.9
1974— June	2,200.4	269.8	499.2	98.8	867.8	3,068.2	64.7	3,132.9
December	2,142.6	278.4	507.3	101.1	886.8	3,029.4	64.1	3,093.5
1975— June	†2,119.3	279.6	523.7	121.1	924.4	†3,043.7	65.8	†3,109.5
July	†2,105.7	280.0	522.9	120.2	923.0	†3,028.7	65.9	†3,094.6
August	2,096.0	281.6	521.4	116.3	919.3	3,015.3	65.9	3,081.2
September	2,093.9	281.3	520.5	112.6	914.4	3,008.3	65.6	3,073.9
October	2,097.2	279.4	519.0	108.7	907.2	3,004.4	65.5	3,069.9
FEMALES								
1971— June	1,220.2	88.8	173.3	15.3	277.3	1,497.5	2.7	1,500.2
December	1,233.6	91.6	172.4	15.8	279.9	1,513.5	2.7	1,516.2
1972— June	1,238.4	92.0	181.0	15.9	288.9	1,527.3	2.8	1,530.1
December	1,277.9	93.6	178.9	16.8	289.2	1,567.1	2.9	1,570.0
1973— June	1,311.7	97.6	191.4	17.1	306.0	1,617.7	3.1	1,620.8
December	1,381.3	103.2	190.4	17.5	311.1	1,692.4	2.9	1,695.3
1974— June	1,402.3	107.9	210.2	17.9	336.0	1,738.3	2.9	1,741.2
December	1,350.2	111.6	211.3	18.5	341.4	1,691.6	3.1	1,694.7
1975— June	1,337.8	118.1	234.9	19.9	373.0	1,710.8	3.4	1,714.2
July	1,339.2	119.3	235.5	20.0	374.8	1,714.0	3.4	1,717.4
August	1,339.5	120.7	235.2	19.5	375.4	1,714.9	3.4	1,718.3
September	1,345.8	119.4	235.9	19.3	374.6	1,720.4	3.5	1,723.9
October	1,351.7	119.3	236.9	19.4	375.6	1,727.3	3.5	1,730.8
PERSONS								
1971— June	3,333.2	338.2	643.5	107.4	1,089.1	4,422.3	83.2	4,505.5
December	3,343.0	348.7	643.3	110.5	1,102.5	4,445.5	79.3	4,524.8
1972— June	3,340.9	345.2	663.5	118.3	1,127.0	4,467.9	81.1	4,549.0
December	3,397.4	356.1	662.6	119.7	1,138.4	4,535.8	79.2	4,615.0
1973— June	†3,439.0	359.4	681.8	122.7	1,163.9	†4,602.9	74.1	†4,677.0
December	3,566.2	374.5	678.1	116.3	1,168.9	4,735.1	70.1	4,805.2
1974— June	3,602.7	377.7	709.4	116.7	1,203.8	4,806.5	67.6	4,874.1
December	3,492.8	390.0	718.7	119.6	1,228.2	4,721.0	67.2	4,788.2
1975— June	†3,457.1	397.7	758.6	141.0	1,297.4	†4,754.5	69.2	†4,823.7
July	†3,444.9	399.3	758.3	140.1	1,297.8	†4,742.7	69.3	†4,812.0
August	3,435.5	402.4	756.6	135.8	1,294.7	4,730.2	69.3	4,799.5
September	3,439.7	400.7	756.4	131.9	1,289.0	4,728.7	69.1	4,797.8
October	3,448.8	398.7	756.0	128.1	1,282.8	4,731.6	69.0	4,800.6

(a) Includes semi-government bodies. (b) Excludes State and local government employees (3.5 thousand persons in June 1975) engaged in agriculture. (c) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas.

† Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 3. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

ASIC Division(a)	ASIC Industry(a)	MALES				FEMALES				PERSONS			
		1974		1975		1974		1975		1974		1975	
		Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.
A (part)	(b) Forestry, fishing and hunting	13.7	13.4	13.9	13.4	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	14.6	14.4	14.8	14.4
B	Mining	72.5	72.5	73.5	73.5	5.5	5.6	5.9	5.8	78.0	78.1	79.4	79.4
C	Manufacturing	944.9	939.2	887.9	889.5	352.9	343.9	312.4	315.2	1,297.9	1,283.1	1,200.3	1,204.7
	Food, beverages and tobacco	142.7	145.0	140.9	141.7	55.0	54.7	50.1	50.1	197.7	199.7	191.0	191.8
	Textiles	26.4	25.5	25.2	25.5	20.0	18.6	19.0	19.5	46.3	44.1	44.2	44.9
	Clothing and footwear	21.2	20.7	20.3	20.5	77.4	74.2	70.6	71.8	98.6	94.9	90.9	92.2
	Paper and paper products, printing	76.8	76.5	71.9	71.8	28.7	28.4	25.4	25.5	105.5	105.0	97.4	97.3
	Metal products, machinery and equipment	468.4	464.1	431.6	431.1	109.6	106.7	91.1	91.5	577.9	570.8	522.7	522.6
	Basic metal products	88.8	88.6	83.6	83.1	8.5	8.5	7.3	7.2	97.3	97.1	90.9	90.3
	Fabricated metal products	92.4	91.4	86.1	86.1	24.9	24.4	21.4	21.7	117.2	115.8	107.5	107.8
	Transport equipment	144.6	142.7	132.9	133.5	20.2	19.3	16.6	16.6	164.8	162.0	149.5	150.1
	Other machinery and equipment	142.6	141.4	129.0	128.4	56.0	54.5	45.8	46.0	198.6	195.9	174.8	174.4
D	Electricity, gas and water	90.4	90.5	91.3	91.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.1	99.5	99.6	100.5	100.3
E	Construction	378.7	379.8	374.3	368.0	18.5	18.4	18.1	18.1	397.2	398.2	392.4	386.2
F	Wholesale and retail trade -	546.2	549.5	546.2	548.3	411.9	414.6	408.6	411.7	958.1	964.1	954.8	960.0
	Wholesale trade	245.7	246.4	240.2	241.0	100.5	100.4	94.3	94.5	346.2	346.9	334.5	335.5
	Retail trade	300.5	303.0	306.0	307.3	311.4	314.2	314.3	317.2	611.9	617.2	620.3	624.4
	Motor vehicle dealers, petrol and tyre retailers	135.5	136.2	139.4	139.7	29.1	29.4	29.5	29.7	164.6	165.6	168.9	169.4
	Other retail trade	165.0	166.8	166.7	167.5	282.3	284.8	284.8	287.5	447.3	451.6	451.4	455.0
G	Transport and storage	219.8	220.3	216.7	216.4	37.1	37.0	36.4	36.2	256.9	257.3	253.1	252.7
	Road Transport	86.9	86.5	82.8	82.7	14.6	14.4	13.6	13.5	101.5	100.9	96.5	96.3
H	Communication	72.3	72.5	72.4	72.3	29.5	29.7	29.8	29.8	101.8	102.2	102.2	102.1
I	Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	199.7	199.1	196.5	195.9	181.8	181.4	180.7	180.6	381.5	380.5	377.2	376.5
J	Public administration and defence (c)	144.6	145.0	155.1	155.4	77.9	78.2	90.7	91.0	222.5	223.2	245.8	246.3
K	Community services	255.8	256.3	270.2	270.5	433.5	435.9	462.6	464.0	689.3	692.2	732.8	734.5
	Health	57.3	57.7	61.4	61.6	230.1	231.1	242.5	243.3	287.4	288.8	303.9	304.9
	Education, libraries, museums and art galleries	107.2	107.8	115.9	116.1	164.1	165.5	180.3	181.0	271.4	273.2	296.2	297.1
L	Entertainment, recreation, restaurants hotels and personal services	106.3	105.9	110.1	110.0	162.5	163.3	165.2	164.8	268.8	269.3	275.4	274.8
	TOTAL	3,044.8	3,044.1	3,008.3	3,004.4	1,721.1	1,718.0	1,720.4	1,727.3	4,765.9	4,762.1	4,728.7	4,731.6

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification - see paragraph 3, page 1. Some Division totals include industries not specified separately. (b) Excludes ASIC Sub-divisions 01 (Agriculture) and 02 (Services to agriculture). (c) Excludes members of the permanent defence forces.

† Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 4. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

Month	Total civilian employees			Private/Government(persons)		Principal industries (persons)	
	Males	Females	Persons	Private	Government(a)	Manufacturing	Wholesale and Retail Trade
ORIGINAL							
1971 — June	2,924.7	1,497.5	4,422.3	3,333.2	1,089.1	1,298.9	860.0
December	2,931.9	1,513.5	4,445.5	3,343.0	1,102.5	1,288.2	880.3
1972 — June	2,940.6	1,527.3	4,467.9	3,340.9	1,127.0	1,274.6	879.4
December	2,968.7	1,567.1	4,535.8	3,397.4	1,138.4	1,280.8	916.8
1973 — June	†2,985.2	1,617.7	†4,602.9	†3,438.8	1,164.1	†1,287.4	925.4
December	3,042.7	1,692.4	4,735.1	3,566.2	1,168.9	1,324.5	978.8
1974 — January	3,037.4	1,672.6	4,710.0	3,544.5	1,165.5	1,320.4	958.0
February	3,049.9	1,706.8	4,756.7	3,573.4	1,183.3	1,332.3	960.7
March	3,062.7	1,726.8	4,789.4	3,597.6	1,191.8	1,337.7	968.7
April	3,058.4	1,731.4	4,789.8	3,593.9	1,195.9	1,334.6	967.9
May	3,069.3	1,737.5	4,806.8	3,608.7	1,198.1	1,335.7	972.7
June	3,068.2	1,738.3	4,806.5	3,602.7	1,203.8	1,331.4	969.2
July	†3,051.5	†1,729.4	†4,780.9	†3,572.4	†1,208.5	†1,314.8	960.8
August	†3,046.5	1,722.7	†4,769.2	†3,556.4	†1,212.8	†1,305.5	957.4
September	3,044.8	1,721.1	4,765.9	3,549.6	1,216.3	1,297.9	958.1
October	3,044.1	1,718.0	4,762.1	3,541.7	1,220.4	1,283.1	964.1
November	3,041.9	1,712.7	4,754.6	3,529.9	1,224.7	1,265.5	967.8
December	3,029.4	1,691.6	4,721.0	3,492.8	1,228.2	1,239.4	964.3
1975 — January	3,016.1	1,664.2	4,680.3	3,455.3	1,225.0	1,225.6	946.0
February	3,028.8	1,688.0	4,716.8	3,462.8	1,254.0	1,223.4	947.5
March	3,032.0	1,694.4	4,726.4	3,459.4	1,267.0	1,216.7	949.6
April	†3,033.2	1,703.4	†4,736.5	3,465.3	†1,271.2	1,213.4	955.1
May	3,047.5	1,706.6	4,754.0	3,463.0	1,291.0	1,208.4	955.9
June	†3,043.7	1,710.8	†4,754.5	†3,457.1	1,297.4	1,204.8	955.7
July	†3,028.7	1,714.0	†4,742.7	†3,444.9	1,297.8	1,202.7	955.3
August	3,015.3	1,714.9	4,730.2	3,435.5	1,294.7	1,199.7	951.5
September	3,008.3	1,720.4	4,728.7	3,439.7	1,289.0	1,200.3	954.8
October	3,004.4	1,727.3	4,731.6	3,448.8	1,282.8	1,204.7	960.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (b)							
1971 — June	2,924.1	1,497.9	4,422.3	3,338.1	1,086.0	1,300.2	861.8
December	2,923.1	1,509.3	4,432.0	3,329.2	1,104.5	1,290.8	861.7
1972 — June	2,940.0	1,526.4	4,466.6	3,345.3	1,123.3	1,275.1	880.4
December	2,960.6	1,564.0	4,523.9	3,384.2	1,140.9	1,283.5	898.3
1973 — June	†2,984.5	1,615.4	†4,600.0	†3,442.6	1,159.8	†1,287.1	925.6
December	3,034.8	1,690.0	4,724.1	3,553.3	1,171.8	1,327.6	959.6
1974 — January	3,039.8	1,694.8	4,735.3	3,556.5	1,175.8	1,325.4	962.6
February	3,038.8	1,707.9	4,746.0	3,565.8	1,179.2	1,327.6	964.9
March	3,050.6	1,716.7	4,770.8	3,582.6	1,183.2	1,330.9	969.6
April	3,055.6	1,725.0	4,783.0	3,588.9	1,190.4	1,333.8	969.1
May	3,060.5	1,731.4	4,791.2	3,604.6	1,191.7	1,334.3	970.6
June	3,067.6	1,734.5	4,802.4	3,606.3	1,198.9	1,330.5	968.7
July	†3,059.8	†1,733.0	†4,792.4	†3,592.1	†1,206.8	†1,319.1	968.0
August	†3,056.6	1,728.6	†4,784.1	†3,574.8	†1,213.6	†1,309.5	965.7
September	3,057.2	1,724.7	4,782.1	3,558.8	1,220.3	1,301.6	964.1
October	3,058.5	1,718.4	4,776.9	3,547.8	1,227.7	1,284.2	966.2
November	3,037.3	1,703.7	4,737.2	3,505.1	1,230.7	1,258.5	955.0
December	3,021.8	1,689.8	4,711.0	3,480.5	1,231.4	1,242.4	945.7
1975 — January	3,018.7	1,687.0	4,706.7	3,467.7	1,236.1	1,230.7	950.8
February	3,017.9	1,689.5	4,706.9	3,455.8	1,249.7	1,219.3	951.8
March	3,020.0	1,684.3	4,708.0	3,444.6	1,258.0	1,210.5	950.4
April	†3,030.6	1,696.8	†4,729.3	3,460.6	†1,265.3	1,212.7	956.4
May	3,038.5	1,700.2	4,738.2	3,459.0	1,284.0	1,207.1	953.5
June	†3,043.2	1,706.3	†4,749.8	†3,460.2	1,291.9	1,203.6	954.9
July	†3,036.9	1,717.4	†4,753.8	†3,464.1	1,295.9	1,206.6	962.5
August	3,025.2	1,720.8	4,744.7	3,453.4	1,295.5	1,203.3	959.7
September	3,020.4	1,724.0	4,744.6	3,448.3	1,293.2	1,203.7	960.8
October	3,018.6	1,727.7	4,746.4	3,454.7	1,290.5	1,205.7	962.1

(a) Includes semi-government bodies. (b) For details of the methods used see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1975 (Reference No. 1.10).

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